

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	DOCKET NO. TF-02-533
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**ORDER DOCKETING TARIFF AND REQUIRING REPORT**

(Issued November 26, 2002)

On November 4, 2002, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) proposed tariffs, identified as TF-02-533, eliminating the annual revision of the curtailment credit under its interruptible service or curtailment service tariffs. The Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate) filed a conditional objection and response on November 20, 2002.

Consumer Advocate in its response said it was reviewing the proposed tariffs and conducting discovery. Consumer Advocate said that after it completes its investigation it would advise the Board whether Consumer Advocate has a formal objection to the tariffs.

In order to allow time for investigation of the proposed tariffs, the Board will suspend the tariffs and docket them for investigation. Consumer Advocate will be required to file a report with the Board on or before December 23, 2002, advising the

Board of the status of Consumer Advocate's investigation. The Board will then determine what, if any, additional procedures are required.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. An investigation is instituted to determine the reasonableness of MidAmerican Energy Company's proposed tariffs, filed on November 4, 2002, identified as TF-02-533. Tariff filing TF-02-533 is suspended. The expenses reasonably attributable to this investigation shall be assessed to MidAmerican in accordance with Iowa Code § 476.10 (2001 Supp.).

2. The Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice shall file a status report on or before December 23, 2002.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2002.